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EXAMINING GROUP 2138**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Masahiro SATO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2138

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Examiner: John J. TABONE, Jr.

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Sir:

This response is submitted in reply to the outstanding Final Office Action dated December 12, 2005. The period for response is extended one month, from March 12, 2006, to April 12, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time. Please amend the application as shown on the following pages:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

The Remarks begin on page 9.